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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, patients are given midday meals and are given one rupee per day towards wages."

*Grievances of elementary school teachers.*

* 1451 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are in receipt of the resolutions regarding emoluments and service conditions of teachers passed at the Conference of Elementary School Teachers held at Velur, Salem district during November 1954, in which the Chief Minister also participated; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken on these resolutions?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) No action was taken on it as Government do not take action on copies of resolutions, when they are not received in the form of a petition stating the grounds and circumstances of each case."

*Harijan Day.*

* 1452 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government issued any order in the first week of January, 1955, that Harijan Day should be observed on the 30th of every month for a further period of one year;

(*b*) how many Harijan Day celebrations were held in the State during the year 1954;

(*c*) how many and by whom Harijan Days were observed;

(*d*) whether any arrangements are made to observe the Harijan Day in each colony occupied by Harijans; and

(*e*) if not, what are the reasons?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (*a*) Orders were issued by the end of December 1954 for continuing the observance of ' Harijan Day ' on the 30th of every month in 1955 except February, when it was held on the 28th.

" (*b*) 9,873.

" (*c*) A copy [a] of the programme for the celebration of ' Harijan Day ' which is placed on the table of the House furnishes the information required.

" (*d*) & (*e*) Yes. To the extent feasible but it is not practicable to have it celebrated in every colony. Also a better show can be put up in one place in a group of villages than in a number of villages in the same area."

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[a] Printed as Appendix III on pages 1080–1081 infra.